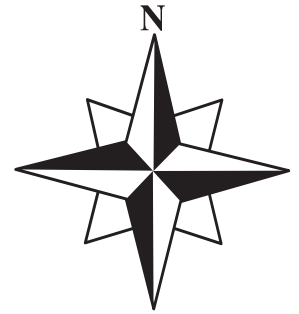




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## Grand Knight's Message Merry Christmas to All

As we approach the Christmas Season it is a proper time to reflect on the Birth of Our Lord and the impact this event has had on our world.

Last year in this column I mentioned that there were over two billion Christians in this world. And, it is relevant to note that as I was speaking the other day with a friend who is a member of the Baha'i faith he mentioned that there are over 30,000 Christian denominations. I surprised to learn that there were so many denominations so I suggested that we look to *Wikipedia* for confirmation. We learned that according to *Wikipedia*, there were actually **38,000** Christian denominations listed - broken down into Catholic and non-Catholic denominations. While there are multiple Catholic religions, by far the greatest number of denominations was associated with the various Protestant religions. What I also learned was that the Episcopalian and Anglican religions were classified as Catholic religions rather than Protestant, at least according to *Wikipedia*.

But that is beside the point of this message. What I am intending to say is that with over 38,000 organized expressions of the Christian faith and with over two billion Christians, the birth of Christ was a truly monumental event in human

history. It is right and proper, therefore, that we *celebrate* his birth during the upcoming Christmas and holiday season with special focus on his love for us and on his gift of salvation and redemption.

In turn, we *express* our gratitude and appreciation for these precious gifts with much lesser gifts of our own and by written and verbal expressions of Good Will toward others. I alluded to this in my Christmas message of last year in which I suggested that the materialism of the holidays can be viewed from the perspective that for a period of time each year presumably 2,000,000,000 people are thinking about others and what they might need or would like. It is hard to think of a better way for us to celebrate His gift than for us to give something to those that we love and care for. And sometimes this too, often can mean a sacrifice on our part.

What we need to keep in mind is the "Why of it" and what our gifts symbolize. We know we cannot possibly approach giving others anything at all like the wonderful gift that Our Lord gave to us; but we can commemorate his gift to us in ways that we can, and in other ways besides the giving of gifts.

Keeping in mind that two billion people and at least 38,000 different expressions of Christianity embrace the recognition of the birth of Our Lord worldwide, Christ has have "given" us even more. And that would be the *spirit* of this time of year in  
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which we wish each other Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. What I have come to perceive (and I hope I'm correct) is the spreading of our Christian feelings of Good Will to more and more to persons of other faiths and beliefs during the Christmas Season. They too, seem to be caught up in the spirit of Good Will during the holiday season - so while they may not have received the gift of Grace to share in the Joy of the Birth of Our Lord, is it not a good thing that ever greater numbers of people of other faiths and beliefs embrace the spirit of Good Will that our Christian and Catholic religions and cultures embrace? I only hope that this additional "gift" of Good Will from Jesus continues to grow and thrive and extend far beyond the two billion of us who share our Christian faith; and also, . . . that this "gift" of Good Will towards men will extend beyond these few months each year.

In conclusion, I wish each and every one and their families a Happy and Merry Christmas.

Vivat Jesus,  
 Joe Kozelsky,  
 Proud Grand Knight

**B I N G O**

November 01, 2010.  
 Quarterly Bingo Financial Report

Number of occasions:	13
Gross receipts:	\$27,563.00
Prizes paid:	\$20,019.75
Expenses:	\$2,958.52
Net profit:	\$4,584.73
number of players:	1,645

Karl Steigerwald, Bingo Chairman

**Thursday, January 6th**

**Dinner Meeting**

**Carved Roast Beef with Mushroom Gravy  
 Homemade Mac and Cheese**

**Veggies  
 Dessert  
 Coffee**

**\$14.00**

**Reservations are a must**

**by January 2nd!**

**Call or e-mail Tom Hoffend.**



**872-5788**



**thoffend@frontiernet.net**

**NOTE: If you make a reservation, you are expected to pay for the meal.**

**Trinity Council continues to support  
 Mt. Carmel Food Cupboard**

The *Mount Carmel Food Kitchen* is located in the inner city and is administered by *Sr. Karlein Bach*. Her doorbell rings day and night by children or adults asking for food or basic needs. She rations out just enough to go around and yet still provide. They could use our help.

It is our hope that as we meet monthly for our dinner meetings, that we think also of people in need of basic nutritional and hygienic items that we can bring along for collection.

*Dan and Margaret Milner* will take responsibility to deliver our donations and can be reached at **671-4391** to answer questions and provide additional information and suggestions for personal contributions.



## Ladies Auxiliary of Trinity Council

**Meeting:** December 13th, 6:00 pm

**Program:** Christmas Party  
White Elephant Gift Exchange

**Hostesses:** Board Members

### December Birthday Wishes

22<sup>nd</sup> Sid Webster

29th Millie Schillaci

31<sup>st</sup> Linda Kozelsky

### November Donations:

\$200.00 - One Soldier at a Time

\$1500.00 - WCC – for New Dishes

**Craft Show:** Many, many thanks to Kathy Uerz for all her hard work in achieving yet another very successful Craft Show. Many thanks also to all who baked and to everyone who gave of their time the day of the show. The lunch food was great – thanks to Dave Uerz and Bob Baumgartner.

### REMINDERS/SAVE DATES:

**Monthly Offering:** We will still be collecting for Hope House at our December meeting.

January Meeting – Monday, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM  
Speaker-Jann Armantrout – Right to Life  
Topic: Assisted Suicide

Bring Layette Items for Birthright

Dinner Res. Call Kathy Uerz at 315-524-6332

February Meeting - Mon. Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 PM  
Pot Luck Supper – Bring a dish to pass and your spouse

**BINGO:** Set-up and Workers are still needed. Please consider helping at least once per year. This would greatly help our present over worked volunteers. The support through our concession stand helps us accomplish the work we do through our continuing monthly monetary donations.

**SUNSHINE REQUESTS:** Is there an Auxiliary member that is ill and needs some cheering up, has or is going to be hospitalized? 1<sup>st</sup> time mommy, 1<sup>st</sup> time grandparent or moving to a new home?? Please contact Donna McNinch, 265-1526

**MONETARY REQUESTS:** Must be submitted in writing by an Auxiliary member prior to the next board meeting for discussion and review. Please provide the name of the organization/person for donation, along with a brief description of needs. Forms are available from the Auxiliary President.

**CALENDARS:** Please remember to bring any extra 2011 Calendars and any Christmas Cards you are not going to use for Ronnie Zawacki and the Prison Ministry.

**Auxiliary Board Meeting:**  
December 9<sup>th</sup>, Karen Smith's House,  
7:00 PM

On behalf of all the Board Members, I wish each of you and your families a very Blessed Christmas Season and Good Health and Happiness in the New Year.





Cardinal Raymond Burke



Cardinal Donald Wuerl



Cardinal Kazmierz Nycz

### Three New Cardinals are Knights

Pope Benedict XVI held a consistory on November 20, at which he elevated 24 bishops and archbishops to the College of Cardinals. Three of them are Knights of Columbus, including Archbishops Raymond Burke, prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura, Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, D.C., and Kazmierz Nycz, archbishop of Warsaw.

Archbishop Burke became a Knight in 1977, at LaCrosse (Wisconsin) council 839 while he was still a parish priest. He became the Bishop of LaCrosse in 1995. He transferred to Bishops Council 10490 when he became Archbishop of St. Louis in 2004. Pope Benedict named him to head the Supreme Tribunal, sometimes referred to as the Vatican's "supreme court," in 2005, and he remains a member of Council 10490.

Archbishop Wuerl became a Knight at Duquesne Council 264 while serving as a priest in the Diocese of Pittsburgh in 1979. He became Bishop of Pittsburgh in 1988, and while there, wrote a series of articles for *Columbia* magazine on the writings of Pope John Paul II. He transferred to Catholic University of America Council 9542 when he became Archbishop of Washington, D.C. in 2006.

Archbishop Nycz became a Knight at Warsaw Council 14271 in November 2007, about six months after the council was established, and seven months after he became Archbishop of Warsaw.

**DEADLINE FOR THE January issue of THE COMPASS Is December 15th!**

Contact Paul Fetter 217-9653

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#### December 2010

#### January 2011

7-December-10

D. Milner, Captain Team 6

14-December-10

K. Steigerwald, Captain Team 7

21-December-10

D. Wagner, Captain Team 8

28-December-10

K. Steigerwald, Captain Team 9

4-January-11

A. Weidman, Captain Team 1

11-January-11

B. Brauch, Captain Team 2

18-January-11

J. Rousseau, Captain Team 3

25-January-11

D. Jester Captain Team 5

**B I N G O**





### Lasting Remembrance of PGK Bob Stein Dedicated at James O. Stein Deceased Members Mass & Breakfast

Thanks to the ingenuity of Brothers Bob Leschhorn and PGK David Uerz, the jacket that PGK Bob Stein always wore (complete with a mild cigarette burn) was aptly placed in a beautiful dark cherry wood and glass frame. An engraved inscription was added to the frame. The inscription is under Bob's picture to the left. This lasting remembrance of Bob is being turned over to the Webster Columbus Center Board of Directors for proper placement in our council home.

In Loving Memory of:

**Robert A. Stein**

September 17, 1933 - May 16, 2008

**Grand Knight**

1964-1966

**Webster Columbus Center  
House Manager**

1997—2008

At the James O. Stein Deceased Members Mass & Breakfast held on November 14th, PGK Tom Freundsuh spoke of the importance that both Jim and Bob Stein has with the Council. PGK Uerz and brother Bob Leschhorn then unveiled the jacket in it's beautiful new frame. Fr. John Reif, Chaplain Emeritus of Trinity Council, on hand for the Mass, blessed the jacket completing the dedication. On hand for the event were Bob's sister, Sister Delores Stein and Bob's daughter, Julie Steinhilber.

Sister Delores spoke briefly after the dedication with some very apt words. She told the audience that her father, our founder and 1st Grand Knight Jim Stein once told her that this council would only be as good as the Past Grand Knights were active. How true it is!

The vision and direction that Jim and Bob Stein gave us will lead us into another fifty plus years of greatness.



*Present for the dedication of Bob Stein's Jacket to the Webster Columbus Center were Julie Steinhilber, daughter of Bob Stein and Sister Delores Stein.*



*The brainchilds behind the dedication were Bob Leschhorn and PGK Dave Uerz. In the picture PGK Dave Uerz reads the engraved inscription on the frame. The inscription can be found under Bob Stein's picture on this page.*



# Let Us Pray

**For our Veterans**, that we always remember those who have given their lives for our freedom and that we support our troops as they return home. We pray especially for Josh Steinhilber, a fellow Brother Knight from Trinity Council and for Jim, Peter and Michael Freundschuh now in Afghanistan.

**Prayer for our troops:** Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. AMEN

**For our Seminarians**, that the Lord gives these men the strength to remain committed to answering God's call to serve Him and his people in a special way.

**For members of the Permanent Deaconate Program**, especially Rick Rall from Trinity Council. That the Lord will encourage them in their studies and help them find the right balance in their lives for their studies, their families and the Lord's calling to do his work.

Our Council Brethren and family members and who are ill, under treatment or recovering..

Carmen Basilio	Rosalie Mark
Charles Bonfiglio	Donna Martin (daughter of Jean Chappell)
Marilyn Bowman	Rev. Donald McCarthy
Chris Cannito	Joe Nagel
Ann Ceranowicz	Marie Rice
Camille Dilal	Peter Steigerwald (son of Karl and Pat)
Deacon Stan Douglas & Joanne	Theresa Sweeney (Daughter of Tom & Marty Sweeney)
Susan Douglas-Doyle (daughter of Deacon Stan)	Carl and Ann Tiberio
Russ Fernaays	Morsina Tortino
Catherine Fremut (twin sister of Peter Breidt)	Justin Tubiolo
Lori Freundschuh (sister of Tom Freundschuh)	Bill VerSchneider (brother of Gene)
Carolyn Hafner	Ken Warren
Simon Harris (Grandson of Don & Faith Bell)	Sid Webster
Helen Kester	Evelyn Young
	All Requests of the Trinity Council Prayer Chain



## K of C Mowing Folks

Mike Donovan



On behalf of myself and all the K of C members we would like to thank the following guys who did a great job this past mowing season to keep the Hall Grounds in tip top shape.

Thanks to the following members

Deke Beh, John Carnevale, Marty Sondervan  
Barney Quinlan, Karl Steigerwald, Dick Jester  
Phil Rohnke, George Yohonn, Joe Nagel  
Stu Coon and Tom Lafontaine

Think Spring it's not that far off.

## Trinity Council Donates Once Again to Webster Public Library

For the sixth straight year, thanks to the coordination of Brother Ron McNinch, Trinity Council has donated \$100 to Webster Public Library. This ensures a steady stream of Catholic books in the library for public use. The presentation of our donation was made to Theresa Bennett, Director of WPL. Her quote to Brother Ron was "Thank you, this is a wonderful program that Trinity Council sponsors." She was delighted with our contribution of \$100.00. Here are this year's books that were purchased with the donation:

Catherine of Siena: a Passionate Life by Don Brody. 2010  
*An enlightening and respectful biography of one of the most popular saints.*

A History of the Popes: From Peter to the Present by John O'Malley. 2009.  
*Engaging and readable history of the Papacy.*

Signs of Life: 40 Catholic Customs and Their Biblical Roots by Scott Hahn. 2009..  
*An explanation of traditional Catholic practices written in a conversational tone.*

Where There is Love, There is God: A Path to Closer Union With God and Greater Love for Others by Mother Teresa. 2010.  
*An anthology of Mother Teresa's teachings collected from her private lessons to her Sisters.*

## Knights Celebrate Opening of New Seminary in Cuba

www.kofc.org

In ceremonies Nov. 3-5, the Catholic Church in Cuba inaugurated its first new seminary in more than a half century. The project was largely funded by the Knights of Columbus, as well as by donations from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and other Catholic organizations.

The new San Carlos and San Ambrosio seminary, located about 30 miles outside of Havana, replaces a similar facility that was seized by the Communist government in 1966 — an event that exemplified strained relations with the Church over the past five decades.

The opening of the new seminary signifies another step in the improving relations between the Catholic Church and the state.

In remarks on Nov. 4, Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said, "Today we write a new page in the history of Cuba. We write this page mindful of the many sacrifices that have brought us to this day. But we write this page with joy and hope because we write it in the bright light of the spring-time of the new evangelization."

The project was made possible, Anderson added, by Pope John Paul II, who blessed the cornerstone of the seminary during his 1998 apostolic visit to Cuba.

Notably, Cardinal Ortega was instrumental in the release of 52 political prisoners earlier this year, and in August, the Knights of Columbus bestowed its highest honor, the Gaudium et Spes Award, on him in recognition of his lifetime of service to society and to the Church.

Also attending the dedication were Cuban President Raul Castro, the bishops of Cuba, and representatives of the Vatican and of the Catholic Church in the United States, Mexico, Italy and the Bahamas.



**December Council Birthdays**

Gerald	Ryan	1201
Thomas	Duyssen	1201
Paul	Pellittieri	1202
James	Carroll	1206
Joseph	Aschenbrenner	1206
John	Judge	1209
Christopher	Joy	1210
Daniel	Connolly	1211
Hans	Gross jr.	1211
Dr. Peter	Pellittieri	1212
David	Yorgy	1212
Deacon Thomas	Behe	1215
George	MacKenzie	1219
Arthur	Manning	1219
Walter	Rice	1220
Kenneth	Pritchett	1220
Thomas	Traub	1221
George	Yohonn	1221
Shaun	Milner	1222
Steve	Nonkes	1223
Joshua	Steinhilber	1223
Leonard	Schmitt	1223
Leon	Bilow	1229
Robert	Leschhorn	1229
Sean	Hanna	1231

*Editor's Note:* Many of you have asked to list the actual birth-dates in in case you may wish to send a card. I am happy to oblige. The Council database does contain most everyone's dates. If any information is in error, please contact Karl Steigerwald at 265-9396 or by e-mail at: [kjsteig@aol.com](mailto:kjsteig@aol.com)

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3	4
December	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2010	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	26	27	28	29	30	31	

**Key Dates for upcoming activities**

- 12/02/10 Regular Council Dinner Meeting – WCC—6PM
- 12/08/10 FLDDSO Christmas Party – WCC—6PM
- 12/11/10 Annual Poinsettia Delivery to Widows and Shut-Ins
- 12/15/10 Annual Blood Drive – WCC—1PM
- 1/21/11 Euchre Tournament — WCC — 7PM



**Blood Drive**

***Give, the gift of life!***

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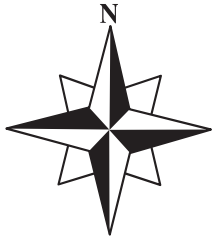
He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman.  
 He grew up in another village, where He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty.  
 Then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never had a family or owned a home.  
 He never set foot inside a big city. He never travelled two hundred miles from the place  
 He was born.

He never wrote a book, or held office.  
 He did none of the things that usually accompany greatness.  
 While He was a young man, the tide of popular opinion turned against Him.  
 He was turned over to His enemies, and went through the mockery of a trial.  
 He was nailed to the cross between two thieves. While He was dying,  
 His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had - His coat.  
 When He was dead, He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave.

Twenty one centuries have come and gone, and today He is the central figure for much of  
 The human race.

All the armies that have ever marched and all the navies that sailed and all the  
 Parliaments that have ever sat and all the kings that have ever reigned,  
 put together, have not affected the life of a man upon this earth as powerfully as this  
**“ONE SOLITARY LIFE”**

*Author Unknown*



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***1—7PM***

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**Eucharistic Adoration**  
**Trinity Council KofC**  
**Fourth Thursday**  
**Holy Trinity Parish**  
**7:00 to 8:00 PM**